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H. RES. 612

Expressing the commitment of the House of Representatives to achieving
victory in Iraq.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 15, 2005

Mr. HYDE (for himself and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Expressing the commitment of the House of Representatives
to achieving victory in Iraq.

Whereas the Iraqi election of December 15, 2005, the first to take place under the newly ratified Iraqi Constitution, represented a crucial success in the establishment of a democratic, constitutional order in Iraq; and

Whereas Iraqis, who by the millions defied terrorist threats to vote, were protected by Iraqi security forces with the help of United States and Coalition forces: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That—

1 (1) the House of Representatives is committed
2 to achieving victory in Iraq;

3 (2) the Iraqi election of December 15, 2005,
4 was a crucial victory for the Iraqi people and Iraq's
5 new democracy, and a defeat for the terrorists who
6 seek to destroy that democracy;

7 (3) the House of Representatives encourages all
8 Americans to express solidarity with the Iraqi people
9 as they take another step toward their goal of a free,
10 open, and democratic society;

11 (4) the successful Iraqi election of December
12 15, 2005, required the presence of United States
13 Armed Forces, United States-trained Iraqi forces,
14 and Coalition forces;

15 (5) the continued presence of United States
16 Armed Forces in Iraq will be required only until
17 Iraqi forces can stand up so our forces can stand
18 down, and no longer than is required for that pur-
19 pose;

20 (6) setting an artificial timetable for the with-
21 drawal of United States Armed Forces from Iraq, or
22 immediately terminating their deployment in Iraq
23 and redeploying them elsewhere in the region, is fun-
24 damentally inconsistent with achieving victory in
25 Iraq;

1 (7) the House of Representatives recognizes
2 and honors the tremendous sacrifices made by the
3 members of the United States Armed Forces and
4 their families, along with the members of Iraqi and
5 Coalition forces; and

6 (8) the House of Representatives has
7 unshakable confidence that, with the support of the
8 American people and the Congress, United States
9 Armed Forces, along with Iraqi and Coalition forces,
10 shall achieve victory in Iraq.

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